

three mainland-island vessels, one vessel was delivered in June, 1991 and the second vessel is expected to be delivered shortly. The contractual delivery date of the third vessel is end December 1992. Out of the twenty-five vessels ordered for inter island, foreshore and harbour ferry services, thirteen vessels have been delivered so far and the remaining twelve vessels are under construction.

#### **Export of Fruits and Vegetables.**

4925. SHRI S. B. THORAT: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received some proposals from the Government of Maharashtra for export of fresh fruits and vegetables;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government thereon;

(c) whether the Government have identified the areas having huge export potential for Indian exotic fruits and vegetables; and

(d) if so, the programme drawn up to boost exports of these during the Eighth Five Year Plan period?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHUSHEED): (a) and (b). No specific proposal has been received from Government of Maharashtra for export of fresh fruits and vegetables.

(c) and (d). For boosting exports of horticultural produce, including fruits and vegetables. Government has formulated a programme for establishment of infrastructural facilities, enhancement of export oriented production market development etc.

#### **SEEUY Scheme in Maharashtra**

4926. SHRI SUDHIR SAWANT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state

(a) the number of beneficiaries under the SEEUY scheme in Sindhudurg and Ratnagiri districts since its inception, and

(b) the total amount loaned out and recovered year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b). the number of cases sanctioned by banks and amounts disbursed under the SEEUY scheme in the two districts were as under:

Year	Sindhudurg Cases sanctioned by banks		Ratnagiri Cases sanctioned by banks	
	No.	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)	No.	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
1984-85	215	44.89	300	55.99
1985-86	184	41.27	254	61.74
1986-87	193	41.92	125	20.36
1987-88	72	13.02	143	27.18

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1988-89	130	30 07	192	35 35
1989-90	94	22 65	115	20 62
1990-91	80	14 65	121	25 02

The data reporting system of the banks does not generate specific informations regarding scheme-wise and district-wise recovery of the loans granted. However the percentage of total demand to total recovery under the schemes has been estimated to be within the range of 20% to 30%.

#### Linking of N.H. 9 with N.H. 5

4927 SHRI V. SOBHANDHEESWARA RAO VADDE

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 5255 on August 30, 1991 and state

(a) whether the High Court stay on the project for connecting of NH 9 with NH 5 has since been vacated

(b) if so, the present stage of the project and its estimated cost, and

(c) the date by which it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) (a) according to the information received from the State Government, the claimants have agreed to with-

draw the case from the High Court, Andhra Pradesh provided the alignment is slightly modified by the State P.W.D.

(b) and (c) the work in reach from NH 9 to Gollapudi to the entrance of the Tunnel is almost complete. The work from exit of tunnel to R.O.B. is yet to be taken up. The total estimated cost of the entire project would be Rs. 116.68 lakhs. The balance work is expected to be completed by May, 93.

#### Trade with West African countries

4928 SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI  
Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government are aware that according to a study conducted by the confederation of Indian Industry, there is a tremendous scope for cooperation between India and West African countries, and

(b) if so, the measures proposed to be taken by the Government to boost the trade with West African countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) the Government intends to take the